GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA

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BETTER QUALITY SEEDS TO FARMERS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the farmers are not getting quality seeds;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the measures taken/initiated to provide better quality seeds to the farmers;

(d) whether the supply of poor quality seeds have a direct impact on the production; and

(e) if so, the remedial steps taken in regard thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a): No, Sir. The farmers are getting quality seeds.

(b): Question does not arise.

(c): Under various Crop Development Programmes, assistance has been provided toStates for production and supply of better quality seeds to the farmers.

(d): Yes, Sir.

(e): The Seeds Act (1966) and Seeds (Control) Order (1983) have sufficient provisionsto regulate the quality of seeds distributed to the farmers. These provisions are being enforced through the Seed Inspectors appointed by the State Governments.